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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF AIR AND WASTE

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), acting in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 111, Sections 142A through 142O, offers for public comment the following Proposed Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Budget Trading Program Emission Control (ECP) Plan Approval issued pursuant to Regulation 310 CMR 7.70, the Massachusetts CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Trading Program.

The Proposed CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Trading Program Emission Control Plan Approval is for:

City/Town: Peabody

**Facility Name** Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company

**Applicant** Brian Quinn

Location 58R Pulaski Street ePLACE Appl. No.: 22-AQ030-0001-APP

**Proposed Action** CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Emission Control Plan Approval

The Proposed ECP Approval sets forth the methodologies for monitoring the CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions and the net electric generation from the applicable units. The purpose of the ECP Approval is to codify these monitoring methodologies under the state CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Trading Program regulation.

The CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Control Plan Application and MassDEP's proposed decision are available on the EEA ePLACE Public Access Portal at https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/. \* The CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Control Plan Application, MassDEP's proposed decision, and the administrative record also are available for inspection at MassDEP's Office at the above letterhead address. Comments on the proposed decision must be submitted in writing by **December 14, 2022.** Comments may be submitted via the Public Access Portal, via electronic mail to edward.braczyk@mass.gov, or via mail to the letterhead address above.

This information is available in alternate format. Contact Michelle Waters-Ekanem, Director of Diversity/Civil Rights at 617-292-5751. TTY# MassRelay Service 1-800-439-2370 MassDEP Website: www.mass.gov/dep

Please note that only written or oral public comments on the CO<sub>2</sub> Budget ECP Application and Proposed Decision will be considered in the MassDEP's review of the submitted comments. Comments submitted addressing the September 30, 2020 Non-Major Comprehensive Plan Application (NMCPA) are outside the scope of the CO<sub>2</sub> ECP Application and Proposed Decision. While the previously approved NMCPA allows for the construction and operation of the Facility, the CO<sub>2</sub> ECP Proposed Decision identifies the emission units at the Facility, the methodology to measure the Facility's CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions and the measurement of the electricity produced and released to the electrical grid. Accordingly, comments on the CO<sub>2</sub> ECP should address the issues presented in the CO<sub>2</sub> Budget ECP Application and whether MassDEP's Proposed Decision complies with the requirements in 310 CMR 7.70.

MassDEP has scheduled an in-person and remote participation public hearing to receive public comments on the CO<sub>2</sub> Budget ECP Application and Proposed Decision.

The public hearing is to be held on **December 7, 2022, at 7:00 PM**, at the:

Torigian Senior Center 75R Central Street Peabody, Massachusetts 01960

Translators will be present at the public hearing to aid non-English speaking individuals. Translators will provide English-to-Spanish and Spanish-to-English translation as well as Portuguese-to-English and English-to-Portuguese translation.

The public may attend the hearing in-person or may participate virtually via the link below:

Attendees participating remotely in the public hearing can join by clicking (or entering) the following link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88006406816">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88006406816</a> from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. No prior software download is required.

For audio-only participation, attendees can dial in at 1 929 205 6099 and then enter the Webinar ID: 880 0640 6816.

For virtual participation, MassDEP will also provide simultaneous English-to-Spanish and Spanish-to-English translation as well as simultaneous Portuguese-to-English and English-to-Portuguese translation. All attendees should select a preferred language (English to Spanish) or (English to Portuguese) to hear the interpreter of that specific language. You will need to click the globe icon and then choose the desired language. For technical assistance with Zoom issues, before or during the meeting, call or text (240) 848 3526.

A recording of the MassDEP public Hearing will be posted to <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/PeabodyTV">https://www.youtube.com/c/PeabodyTV</a> and <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/MassDEP/videos">https://www.youtube.com/c/MassDEP/videos</a>.

Verbal Comments during the hearing can be submitted via Zoom using the hand-raising function. Those wishing to speak will be called upon at the appropriate time.

## **Severe Weather Notification**

If there is severe weather, any postponement will be announced on the Zoom link and on the MassDEP webpage for the proceeding provided above.

Failure of a person or group of ten persons to provide written comments on MassDEP's proposed decision shall result in the waiver of any right to request an adjudicatory hearing on MassDEP's decision pursuant to 310 CMR 7.51(1), Rules to Request an Adjudicatory Hearing.

Any person, or group of ten persons, who wants to receive a copy of MassDEP's final decision on the date MassDEP issues the decision to the applicant, must submit a written request via electronic mail or regular mail to:

Edward J. Braczyk Permit Chief, Bureau of Air and Waste Email: edward.braczyk@mass.gov

Mail: 205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887

\* On the Main page, click on the orange "Search and/ or Comment" button and click on the application you wish to review or comment on.